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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE ELIGIBILITY FOR US GSP

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1. DURING DISCUSSION WITH ECONOMIC COUNSELOR NOVEMBER 21, MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, DR. JOAO PEQUITO, STATED THAT FOREIGN OFFICE WAS INDEED HIGHLY INTERESTED IN BECOMING ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN US GSP. HE HAD RECEIVED REPORT ON MEETING REPORTED REFTEL AND WAS ANXIOUS TO SEND PORTUGUESE DELEGATION TO WASHINGTON FOR CONSULTATIONS. HE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT DRAFT NOTE PRESENTED TO PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON CALLED FOR AN EXPRESSION OF OFFICIAL GOP POLICY. GIVEN THIS FACT, DR. PEQUITO STATED HE MUST CONSULT WITH MINISTRIES OF FINANCE AND FOREIGN TRADE BEFORE ADOPTING A FORMAL GOP POSITION. HE PROMISED TO PRESS ISSUE FOR PROMPT CONCLUSION AND, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, THEREAFTER, ARRANGE FOR CONSULTATIONS IN WASHINGTON.

2. COMMENT - ALTHOUGH DR. PEQUITO SEEMED GENUINELY INTERESTED

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IN ESTABLISHING PORTUGUESE ELIGIBILITY FOR US GSP, NEED

TO CONSULT WITH OTHER MINISTRIES INTERPOSES SERIOUS  
COMPLICATIONS. GIVEN PRESENT POLITICAL SITUATION, SUCH  
INTERMINISTERIAL CONSULTATIONS PROBABLY WILL BE DELAYED  
CONSIDERABLY. IT APPEARS, THEREFORE, THAT CONSULTATIONS  
MOST LIKELY CANNOT OCCUR UNTIL EARLY NEXT YEAR.  
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